AUSTIN, TEXAS.

June 4, 1923.

Hon. S. L. Staples, Secretary of State, Austin, Texas.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am herewith filing with you, together with my veto, House Bill No. 126.

The original object of this bill was to protect fruit and vegetable growers against the imposition of fraud in the purchase of fruits and vegetables, to regulate the manufacture of containers for fruits and vegetables, and to prohibit the manufacture and sale of containers, except those measuring up to a certain standard. The bill, however, as it has reached my desk, does not provide for or give any one authority to enforce the provisions of this law. Not only does it fail in this respect, but it repeals the present law in regard to the establishment of standards for containers and grades pertaining to the shipment and sale of perishable truck. While the object of this bill is good, it is ineffective in that no one is authorized to enforce it and it repeals the only law we have at this time in regard to the shipping of fruits and vegetables.

It is therefore disapproved and vetoed and filed

herewith.

Respectfully,

Governor